

Remarks

The Restriction Requirement mailed July 12, 2004 has been received and carefully considered. The restriction was applied to claims 1-30, however, the Preliminary Amendment filed August 28, 2003 canceled claims 1-30 and added new claims 31-59. The current amendment cancels claims 31-59 and adds new claims 60-67. The new claims are directed to an emboli capturing system and retrieval device.

A species election was required from among the 14 species listed. Applicants hereby elect species 14, drawn to FIGS. 24A-24C. Pending claims 60-67 are directed to the embodiment of FIGS. 24A-24C.

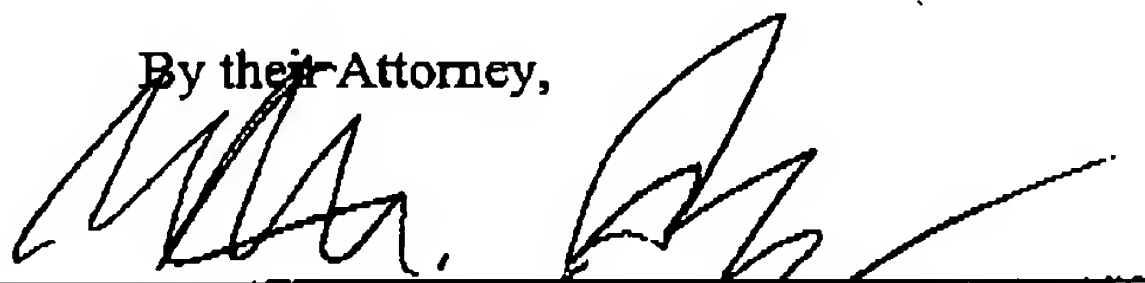
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